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CARDIAC RHYTHM MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WITH OPTIMIZATION OF

CARDIAC PERFORMANCE USING HEART RATE

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Sir:

Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc., your petitioner, is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota and having its principal place of business at 4100 N. Hamline Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota 55112-5798. Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc. is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application for patent by virtue of an Assignment from the inventors, Rodney W. Salo, Kenneth L. Baker, and Lawrence S. Baumann. The Assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office on August 1, 2000 at Reel 011017, Frame 0418. Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc. is also the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to U.S. Patent No.

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6,708,061, issued March 16, 2004.

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Charles G. Mersereau, the undersigned attorney, Reg. No. 26,205, is a registered attorney of record with full authority to sign this Terminal Disclaimer on behalf of Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc. He has reviewed the evidentiary document referred to above and certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, title to the above-identified application is in Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc.

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